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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

A1 3. (amended) The blood testing tool according to claim 1, wherein pores in the development portion include only pores through which blood cells cannot pass.

A2 22. (amended) The blood testing tool according to claim 14, wherein a part of the holder corresponding to the development portion is transparent.

23. (amended) The blood testing tool according to claim 14, wherein a slit is formed at a part of the holder corresponding to the development portion.

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